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Summary Information

Repository	Rare Books and Manuscripts
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Biographical Note

Henry Clay Duncan was born in Lawrence County, Indiana, on January 16, 1845. He attended the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, North Western Christian (Butler) University in Indianapolis, and Indiana University. During the Civil War, Mr. Duncan served in the 136th Indiana Volunteer Regiment. In 1870, he graduated from IU law school. Two years later, Henry married Sarah Cummings, by whom he had five children. The family moved to Bloomington, Indiana, in 1874. Henry was city attorney, Monroe County attorney, prosecuting attorney for the 10th Circuit (1881-1883), judge for the 10th Circuit (1890), and Indiana Senator (1895, 1897). He ran for the U.S. House of Representatives in 1888 but lost. Henry died on January 30, 1911.

Scope and Contents

This collection consists of two copies of the speech entitled "White Caps in Southern Indiana," read before the Monroe County Historical Society, by H. C. Duncan. The typed manuscript is 19 pages. A penciled note on the first page of the onion-skin copy states: "Published in the Bloomington World Telegram, May 1945."

White Caps were active in Indiana from 1857 until 1905 when Governor Winfield Taylor Durbin cracked down on illegal lynchings. Many former White Caps joined the Ku Klux Klan although Mr. Duncan's speech does not mention the KKK.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged chronologically.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Custodial History

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Accruals

No further additions are expected.

Processing Information

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Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- Monroe County Historical Society.

Geographic Name(s)

- Bloomington (Ind.)

Subject(s)

- Race prejudice
- Speech